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MEMORANDUM FOR: EXECUTIVE ASSISTANT

FROM : Chief, School of Intelligence and World Affairs

SUBJECT : Weekly Report of School of Intelligence and World Affairs No. 26, 23 - 29 October 1970

COURSE ACTIVITY

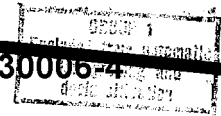
1. Latin American Seminar

25X1A9a The half-day "Continuing Latin American Seminar," conducted by [REDACTED] was resumed on 27 - 28 October. A total of 22 officers (19 from CS/WH, two from OCI/WH and one from ONE/LA) participated in a discussion of Latin American Political Dynamics during the two sessions (10 on 27 October and 12 on 28 October). The guest speaker at both sessions was [REDACTED], who has spent some six years in Argentina and Brazil reporting on political developments for the American Universities Field Staff. The topic for the November 17-18 meetings is "Population Pressures on Political, Social and Economic Problems." The guest speakers will be Department of State officers who are involved in the population problem.

25X1A 2. Advanced Intelligence Seminar No. 1-71

The class returned to Headquarters on the morning of 23 October for the final day of Advanced Intelligence Seminar No. 1-71 in the USIB Conference Room. The morning was spent in a collective review and critique of the preceding two weeks. The closing session that afternoon featured the Deputy Director of Central Intelligence, who, after brief initial remarks, spent an hour responding in detail to questions. It was a good session, offsetting previous class criticism of the panel General Cushman chaired on 19 October with Assistant Secretary of Defense Froehlke.

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3. Orientation for Overseas

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The students' critiques from the recent SWOOP [REDACTED] confirm feelings which the men in this class expressed to [REDACTED] on the first day of class. They found our Orientation for Overseas to be a duplication of what they had already received at FSI. This was the first time that a SWOOP class had been scheduled for the week and a half FSI orientation prior to taking our course. As a result, Marc [REDACTED] have decided that in the future our orientation will be presented to the wives only.

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4. Reading Improvement Course

Three courses in reading improvement currently are being conducted at 1000 Glebe, Ames, and [REDACTED] under contract with USDA. A total of 64 Agency personnel are attending.

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5. Writing Workshop (Basic)

We have completed plans for the special workshop for Office of Communications personnel to be given at 1000 Glebe beginning 4 November. Leanne Stallman, USDA contract instructor, is in charge.

6. The new Intelligence and World Affairs Course (IWA) replacing the Intelligence Orientation and the Introduction to Communism courses began this week. During the first day an attempt was made to focus on the broad questions of policy facing the United States and the world today and in the years to come. From here we led into a discussion of the background and role of intelligence in today's world. Although the first attempt at this sort of thing is bound to be uneven I believe that the staff, at least, felt that the concepts were valid and that this is a sound approach to the substance of this integrated course. The remainder of the week has been devoted to the doctrine and organizational concepts of Communism and to the major target for U.S. intelligence: the U.S.S.R. The class has been pleasant and responsive. They have tolerated and functioned well in the changing air and heat conditions characteristic of this building during this period of seasonal change.

7. The China Familiarization course begins on Monday, 2 November. The overlap with the IWA has caused some administrative problems chiefly because of the location of the CF at Headquarters. There are 15 registered but it is quite likely that there will be several additional coming from FE/[REDACTED] In planning this course we are frequently faced with the rapid movement of people in [REDACTED] FE which is the chief source of our guest speakers who add considerable interest and quality to the course. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] has, however, been most cooperative in finding replacements whenever feasible for those who have moved to other assignments.

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8. [REDACTED] of OTR/LS who handles the language orientation phase of the China Familiarization course mentioned that he would like to phase out of the China Familiarization course soon since he is planning on retiring a year from next February. He believes that his part of the course can be taken care of by a combination of video tapes for the general lectures on the language and through the use of other visual aids and supporting material which he has developed. He believes that these could be administered by someone who has some capability in the Chinese language although not fluency. As long as [REDACTED] is available there is no problem since he is fully competent to handle any of these subjects. But since Frank will probably be leaving next June, we shall have to find a substitute who can handle the general subject of the language and the introduction to pronunciation. The telecode part can be handled without difficulty.

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BRIEFING ACTIVITY

1. For many years the former School of International Communism contributed fairly heavily to various programs sponsored by the Foreign Service Institute (FSI) of the Department of State. Requests for our services, however, simply came to an end during the last couple of years. Since it seems unlikely that several members of our staff would have "goofed" at the same time, one is led to the conclusion that general developments may have led to a policy decision on our contribution. Last week, however, [REDACTED] responded to an emergency request to replace an academic specialist who had cancelled his appointment on the subject of: "Ideology and Reality in the U.S.S.R." This was on Tuesday, October 20 in the course: "Communism and Other Contemporary Forms of Political Extremism". [REDACTED] found the group most pleasant and cooperative and very interested in the substance of their presentation. It will be interesting to see if there is any follow-up request from FSI.

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2. 26 October, by [REDACTED] at Headquarters, on "CIA and the National Security Structure", for the newly-assigned Chief of the Evaluations and Reports Division [REDACTED]

3. 26 October, by [REDACTED], at Headquarters, on "CIA and the National Security Structure", for three officials of the [REDACTED] service.

4. 27 October, by [REDACTED], at FSI, on "CIA", for the 34 FSO's and FSIO's taking the Basic Course for Foreign Service Officers.

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5. 28 October, by [REDACTED] at DIS, on "National Security Policy and the Intelligence Process", for the 87 members of the current Defense Intelligence Operations Course.

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6. 28 October, by [REDACTED] at American University, on "The Elements of National Power and their Relationship to National Security", for ten students attending the Seminar on Intelligence Research and Analysis.

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7. 28 October, by [REDACTED], at International Police Academy, General Course, on "Communist Programs and Tactics", for 40 students.

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8. 29 October, by [REDACTED] at the DIS Information Science Center, on "CIA", for some 40 students attending the Functions Course.

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9. Not reported previously: 16 October, by [REDACTED] at Headquarters, on "The Production Process as it Applies to NIE's", for some 40 students in the DIS National Senior Intelligence Seminar.

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10. At the request of Chief, FE Division, SIWA faculty members are participating in a series of briefings (ten by SIWA, one by RID, three by CI/ICG) for a senior officer in the [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] On 28 October we were asked to re-arrange our briefing schedule, beginning 2 November, so as to conclude within two weeks rather the original three-week plan. New arrangements have been completed. Earlier the subject has had [REDACTED] and FBI briefings.

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